

Title of Study: The National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1997

Acronym: NLSY97

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Summary of major aims:

The NLSY97 is designed to document the transition from school to work and into adulthood. It collects extensive information about youths' labor market behavior and educational experiences over time. Aside from educational and labor market experiences subject areas in the questionnaire include: Youths' relationships with parents, contact with absent parents, marital and fertility histories, dating, sexual activity, onset of puberty, training, participation in government assistance programs, expectations, time use, criminal behavior, and alcohol and drug use. Round 1 includes an hour long parent interview.

Study location: United States of America

Start Date: January 1, 1997

Sample:

All youths born between Jan. 1, 1980 to Dec. 31, 1984 and living in the USA on January 1, 1997. Oversamples of Hispanics and blacks.

Age range at first data collection:

12 to 16. Interviewed annually.

Sex ratio at first data collection:

1:1

Types of variables collected:

Aptitude, achievement & intelligence scores; education; alcohol, cigarette, and drug use; employment; expectations, attitudes, & time use; family background & demographic characteristics; health; income, program participation; and assets; crime, delinquency & arrest records; fertility; sexual activity and contraception; fringe benefits; gender; race; ethnicity; geographic residence; job characteristics & satisfaction; labor force status; marital status, transactions & attitudes; occupations; training; wages; and work experience.

Sample size of cohort (i) at baseline: 8,984 (ii) now: (2001) 7,883

Demographic: yes

Social: yes

Physiological: yes

Self-reported health: yes

Health measures yes
Other data collected yes

Access to data:

Download free at: http://www.nlsinfo.org/ordering/display_db.php3

Order data CD (cost is U.S. \$20) http://www.nlsinfo.org/ordering/display_db.php3

In addition, we would appreciate it if you completed the chart below:

Country:	USA	y	Physiological Measures	y	Psychological Measures
Sample Size:	8,984	y	Functional Health	y	Cognitive Abilities
Age Group:	12 to 17 in 1997	n	Lifestyle: Physical Activity	y	Social and Demographic Measures
Gender:	Both	n	Lifestyle: Nutrition	n	Health Services Utilization
# Cohorts:	1	y	Lifestyle: Other		
Total	5	y	Minorities		
Waves:					

FYI: Fill in First Column/ checkmark next two columns. Gender should be M/F/Both